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207 Speeding Citations Issued as Part of Statewide Campaign

Dover – Between September the 22nd and the 28th, Delaware law enforcement officers issued 207 citations for speeding violations as part of the 2008 "Stop Aggressive Driving" campaign. This brings the total number of speed citations for the first seven weeks of the initiative to 1,557. The statewide initiative is coordinated by the Office of Highway Safety (OHS). Participating police agencies include Delaware State Police troops statewide, the Dover Police, the New Castle County Police and the Wilmington Police.

In addition to last week's 207 speeding citations, officers also made1 aggressive driving arrest which requires officers to spot three traffic violations in a single incident, 14 seatbelt violations, and 129 citations for other traffic violations including individual offenses such as running red lights and stop signs, which are identified aggressive driving behaviors.

Preventing speed-related crashes and fatalities is the new focus of the "Stop Aggressive Driving" campaign, which OHS and law enforcement launched July 7th. Speeding remains second only to DUI as the leading cause of traffic deaths in Delaware according to statewide crash data.

For more information on the "Stop Aggressive Driving campaign, visit the Office of Highway Safety website at www.ohs.delaware.gov.